

Application No.: 10/634,625
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Response

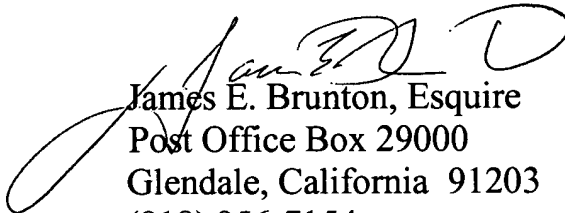
REMARKS

By the paper mailed June 16, 2006, claims 1- 4, 18 and 21 - 23 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being anticipated by Kriesel, U.S. Patent No. 6,416,495 in view of Portner. These claims have been cancelled.

Applicant notes with appreciation the Examiner's indication of the allowability of claims 12 - 17 and 29 - 31.

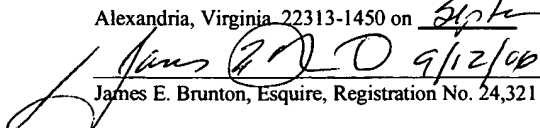
The Application is now believed to be in condition for allowance and such favorable action is respectfully requested.

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